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Oakland University Site for Task Force Hearing

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Media availability of task force members preceding hearing also announced

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003 – State Sen. Cameron S. Brown, R-Fawn River Township, announced today that the second Michigan Beverage Container and Recycling Task Force hearing will occur on the campus of Oakland University in southeast Michigan on Monday, March 3, 2003.

The task force is responsible for reviewing the state of Michigan's current recycling program and Beverage Container Law. The first hearing in Grand Rapids on Feb. 17 attracted over 100 participants.

Those wishing to testify may contact Brown's office toll free at (866) 305-0316. The task force hearing is open to the public. Testifiers are requested to please provide a written copy of their testimony.

The hearing will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Gold Rooms (A, B and C) on the upper level of the university's Oakland Center. The hearing will begin with extended presentations by the Michigan United Conservation Clubs' Executive Director Sam Washington and Kevin S. Dietly of Northbridge Environmental Management Consultants.

A media roundtable will be available at 6:30 p.m. in the neighboring Heritage Room to interview legislators serving on the task force.

A tour preceding the hearing will begin at 5 p.m. at Meijer at 3175 Rochester Rd. in Rochester Hills. The tour is open to the media.

The remaining statewide dates and locations for the task force are (all hearings are held from 7 to 9 p.m.):

March 3	Oakland County	May 12	Adrian
March 31	Coldwater	May 19	Gaylord
April 21	Port Huron	June 2	Sault Ste. Marie
April 28	Saginaw	June 16	Lansing

Brown's office may be contacted with any questions.